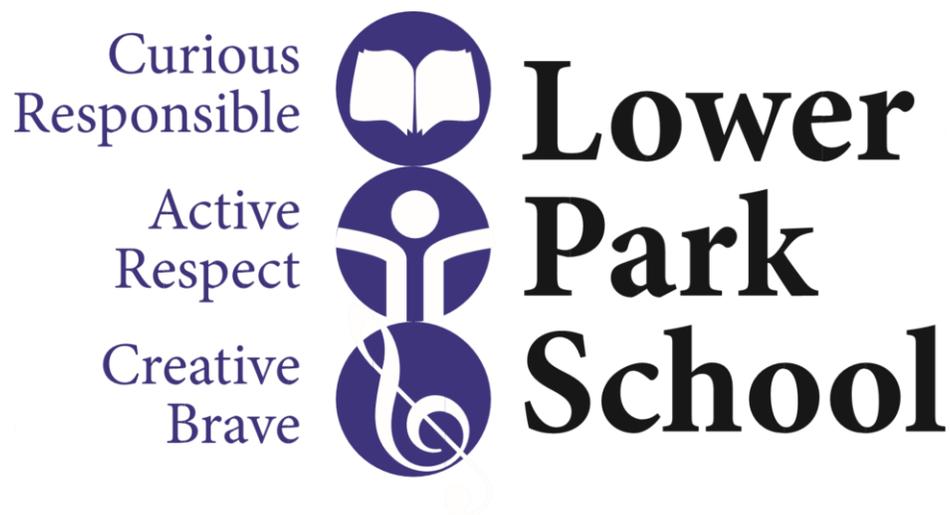


Lower Park News 8th December 2023



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The House points for this week will be rolled over so all children will be in uniform on Monday.

Christmas Fair Success

I'm sure you will all agree that the Christmas fair held last Saturday was a fabulous event and we thank everyone involved in making it so, including all who came along to support.

Here is a message from Shauna Silcock the PTA Chair:-

The Christmas fair last week was a real success thanks in no small part to you and your support. It was great to see the school buzzing with festive activity and so many smiling faces. We raised £4225.25 for the school so please give yourself a pat on the back!

Thank you to the army of volunteers that made it all possible in preparation and on the day. Special thanks must go to Sarah Carter, Amy Billing, Natalie Kendal, Emma Adley and Amy Loxam for their tireless work over the last few months and making it all happen.

Wreath Night Success

Lots of fun was had and beautiful wreaths made at the wreath night last night. Led by Emma Adley it proved another success. The festive cheer was in full swing and we raised £763.32. Thank you too all in attendance and everyone that helped prep the rings and on the night.

Reception

This week in Reception we have introduced the children to the part-whole model and we have looked at number bonds to 5. We enjoyed practically making a part whole model in the outdoor area and working out our number bonds. The children have also loved the last week of rehearsals for our Christmas production next week. We can't wait to show off our dances and songs to our families!







KS1

This week in key stage one the children have been extremely busy preparing for our Christmas show. There will be no photos this week as we don't want to spoil the surprise!! Please double check school spider to make sure you are aware of the arrangements for both shows and look out for tickets coming home in school bags tonight. Thank you for your support in helping the children to learn their lines and for sorting items for their costumes. We think you will agree that it was all worth it when you see the finished show!

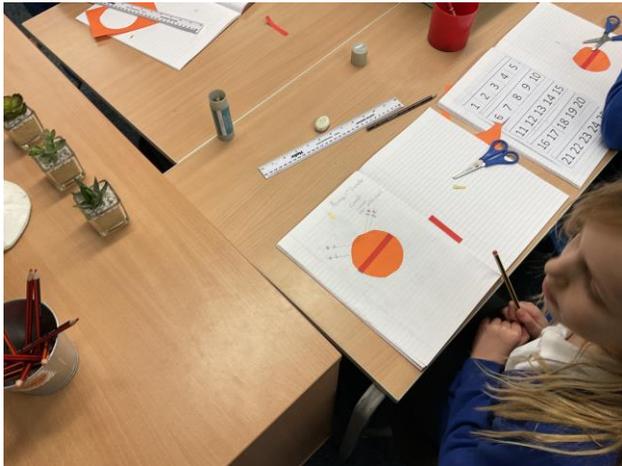
LKS2

This week in science the children have been researching famous scientists associated with our current topic of Animals including Humans. The children were given a mixed-up sheet containing the scientists Ivan Pavlov, Charles Darwin, Adelle Davis and Marie Curie. Then they researched each of these to find out who they were and why they are famous. We then discussed Pavlov's dog and his work on digestion, Marie Curie and how she has helped to save millions of lives, Charles Darwin and his work on survival of the fittest and how this links to predators and prey, and finally nutritionist Adelle Davis and how she was an advocate for healthy eating. The children used the internet effectively and have linked some important people to the work they have been doing over the Autumn term.

Monday 4th December

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UKS2

More Christmas cheer was provided by Freddy Fit, the expert in merriment, with his annual Christmas workout. Amidst the energetic atmosphere, there were lots of star jumps, stretches and infectious laughter.

The children in our department have also enjoyed Elf Challenges each morning. Bauble Tiddlywinks was a favourite yesterday! His daily letters to the children have been met with enthusiasm and excitement.

UKS2 are also drawing their history learning to a close by comparing the lives of the Vikings with the Anglo-Saxons. They have also enjoyed learning about Viking Runes and Gods. Why not ask the children if they can name the gods associated with the days of the weeks?















Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor to join our School Governing Board. The role of a school governor is varied and rewarding. It allows you to have an impact on the long term educational journey of everyone who passes through Lower Park School and is a great way to gain new skills such as influencing, teamwork and negotiating at Board level and business awareness.

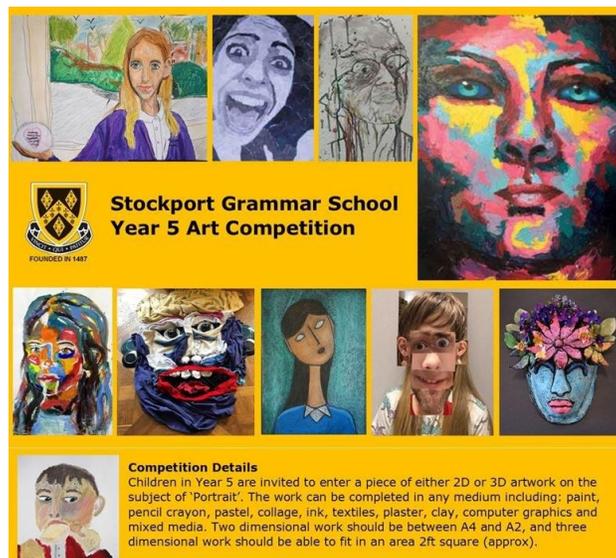
You don't have to have a background in education to be a Governor. Our school Governing Board is made up of dedicated individuals from a variety of backgrounds in the private and public sectors and across a range of industries and positions. Each brings essential skills, experiences and opinions from their working and personal experience and the role of Parent Governor is open to anyone who feels they could make a valuable contribution to the long term success of the school.

As a Governor, you will be part of the Governing Board which takes responsibility for supporting the strategic direction of the school, making decisions on subjects such as strategy, policy and staffing in order to support the smooth and effective running of the school. The day to day operational responsibility remains with the Headteacher and their staff. You'll attend termly meetings and be involved in making decisions on certain things that affect the school.

The formal letter and candidate form were emailed on Thursday 8th, however, if you are interested in becoming a governor and would like more information, please email the Chair, Clara Kenyon on chair@lowerparkschool.cheshire.sch.uk or speak to one of the Governors in confidence.

Stockport Grammar School Year 5 Art Competition

If children in Year 5 wish to enter this Art Competition they should please bring their entries to Miss Cork by January 12th January 2024.



Stockport Grammar School
Year 5 Art Competition

FOUNDED IN 1487

Competition Details
Children in Year 5 are invited to enter a piece of either 2D or 3D artwork on the subject of 'Portrait'. The work can be completed in any medium including: paint, pencil crayon, pastel, collage, ink, textiles, plaster, clay, computer graphics and mixed media. Two dimensional work should be between A4 and A2, and three dimensional work should be able to fit in an area 2ft square (approx).

Message from Cheshire Police



ENFORCING PARKING RESTRICTIONS

We are asking for your cooperation in making sure that children are safe when they go to school.

Cars that are parked irresponsibly by those dropping off children are causing problems for other road users, residents and pedestrians who need to get to school.

Traffic and parking issues during school times have been raised as a concern by parents, staff, residents and other children who attend the schools concerned.

We are working with schools in your area to stop irresponsible parking as we need to act now and work together to resolve this serious issue.

We are sending a leaflet to all parents/guardians to inform them that enforced parking restrictions will be put in place and that anyone who continues to park irresponsibly will receive a fixed penalty notice.

All road users need to be aware of and adhere to parking restrictions:

- No parking on bends
- No parking on zigzag lines
- Do not obstruct a resident's driveway
- Do not park on double lines
- Do not park on 'time restricted' single lines
- Do not cause an obstruction

To report an incident or if you have a suggestion for a neighbourhood priority, you can contact the policing team by telephone on **101** or by speaking directly to your local Police Community Support Officer.



www.cheshire.police.uk/priorities



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CEC Strategic Leisure Review

Poynton Town Council have asked us to make you aware that Cheshire East Council are carrying out a Strategic Leisure Review which could result in the closure of Poynton Leisure Centre.

The consultation is currently live and closes on the 7th January. They are urging residents to respond as there is an implication that only those who respond to the consultation will be considered as part of the usage figures – see text from the consultation below.

Focusing future council investment into Leisure Services

Finally, if the council is unable to meet the required income / savings target through the generation of additional income or through alternative delivery models, the council may have to consider reducing or removing subsidies for some of its sites in the borough.

*If this were to happen, **as a last resort**, the council is proposing to focus its continued investment into Leisure Services:*

- *In the locations where the health of residents is poorest*
- *On the leisure centre sites where usage is highest. This will consider not only the use of these sites by registered EHL members but also by those community and sports groups who respond to this consultation, as well as where appropriate any use by schools.*
- *Where the actual cost to operate sites per user is lowest. For each individual site this will consider day to day operating costs, as well as the council's corporate landlord costs, offset by any income generated by individual sites.*

Here's a link to the consultation

https://surveys.cheshireeast.gov.uk/s/Strategic_Leisure_Review_Consultation_2023/

To help, here's a link to some hints and tips to help you and others respond to the consultation. The information has been collated by a working group made up of residents with knowledge and expertise from sporting and leisure sectors and your Poynton Town Councillors.

<https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/UserFiles/Files/Strategic%20Leisure%20Review%20consultation%20leaflet%20web.pdf>

Here's a more detailed response that you may find useful and wish to use to formulate a response.

<https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/UserFiles/Files/017.%20Strategic%20Leisure%20Consultation%20Detailed%20Response%20Final.pdf>

Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Autumn 2023

Monday 11th December - KS2 Sing the Christmas Story - at St Georges Church (Please complete survey on school spider to give permission for your child to take part, without permission your child will remain in school)

***Show Tickets** - These have been sent home with your child today. We have a very small number for each performance still available. We will release these on a first come first served basis (one ticket per family) after school on Monday.*

Monday 11th December - KS1 & FS dress rehearsal pm

Wednesday 13th December - KS1 & FS Nativity afternoon - 1.45pm

Thursday 14th December - KS1 & FS Nativity evening - 6.00pm children to be back at school performance starts at 6.30pm

Monday 18th December – KS2 panto at Buxton late back to school

Monday 18th December - KS1& FS travelling panto in school

Thursday 21st December - Christmas Parties, Christmas Dinner & Talent Show

Friday 22nd December School closes at 3.20 for Christmas holiday

Monday 8th January - INSET Day

Community noticeboard



What should I do if my child swallows a button battery?

If you think your child may have swallowed a button battery, seek medical advice immediately. Remember that the saliva in their body will react with the battery and so time is very much of the essence.

It is sometimes difficult to know whether a child has swallowed a button battery. Great Ormond Street Hospital has provided helpful information about the signs you can look for:

1. Vomiting fresh, bright red blood. If your child does that, you absolutely have to get them immediate medical help.

Other symptoms can include:

2. Suddenly developing a cough, gag or drooling a lot
3. Appearing to have a stomach upset or a virus
4. Being sick
5. Pointing to their throat or stomach
6. Having a pain in their tummy, chest or throat
7. Being tired or lethargic
8. Being quieter or more clingy than usual or otherwise "not themselves"
9. Losing their appetite or have a reduced appetite
10. Not wanting to eat solid food/be unable to eat solid food.

For further resources videos and posters

<https://www.rosipa.com/policy/home-safety/advice/product/button-batteries>
<https://capr.org.uk/button-batteries-understanding-the-risks/>





Royal Life Saving Society UK issues winter water safety advice

Urgent Winter Water Safety Message

RLSS UK offer safety advice for winter water safety, with simple steps to keep safe during the winter:

1. Never go onto the ice to play, to retrieve an object, or a pet
2. Never enter the ice to rescue somebody, call 999 and ask for the Fire and Rescue Service

What to do if you fall through the ice:

- Keep calm and shout for help
- Spread your arms across the surface of the ice in front of you
- If the ice is strong enough, kick your legs to slide onto the ice
- Lie flat and pull yourself towards the bank
- If the ice breaks, work your way to the bank-breaking the ice in front of you away
- If you cannot climb out, wait for help and keep as still as possible. Press your arms by your side and keep your legs together. Keep your head clear of the water
- Once you are safe, go to hospital immediately for a check up

What to do if you see someone fall through the ice:

- Shout for assistance and phone the emergency services – call 999 or 112
- Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue
- Shout to the casualty to 'keep still' and offer reassurance to keep them calm
- Try and reach them from the bank using a rope, pole, tree branch, clothing tied together or anything else which can extend your reach
- When reaching from the bank, lie down to avoid being pulled onto the ice
- If you cannot reach them, slide something which floats, such as a plastic bottle or football, across the ice for them to hold onto to stay afloat whilst help is on the way
- If the casualty is too far away, do not attempt to rescue them. Wait for the emergency services while calming and reassuring the casualty

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety>

[Winter water safety | Staying safe on our canals | Canal & River Trust \(canalrivertrust.org.uk\)](#)





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Get in Touch



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Poynton Football Club are actively engaged in the re-establishment of junior football teams at Poynton Sports Club.

We are currently welcoming interest from players from Year 1 (U6) up to Year 6 (U11).

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